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See the link below to the draft review of the ASMFC striped bass management plan. At first you will find letters written by other sportsmen. Scrolling down will take you to the plan. The Figures, particularly Figure 1 (Spawning stock biomass - SSB) and the portion of Figure 5, which reports the YOY indices for various systems over time, will be of interest. You'll need to scroll down through the multi-page Figure 5 to get to the YOY indices, where you will see that good, above average YOY numbers in the Md index for Chesapeake Bay are not unusual, but I guess that depends upon your personal definition of "unusual." "Several years of average reproduction mixed with large and small year-classes are typical for Striped Bass," said DNR Fisheries Director Tom O'Connell. "For example, as recently as 2011, we saw the fourth-highest spawning success in the survey's history." Other Figures regarding harvest, fishing mortality, and amount of commercial vs sport harvest, etc will be of interest as well, I believe.

If you go to the annual ASMFC meeting announcement at the home page under "meetings", you will find that you may sign up for the webinar broadcast of the striped bass board meeting that will occur at 8:30AM on Tuesday and is scheduled to last until about noon (if that much time is needed).

[http://www.asmfc.org/files/Meetings/A ..._assBoard_Supplemental.pdf](http://www.asmfc.org/files/Meetings/A..._assBoard_Supplemental.pdf)